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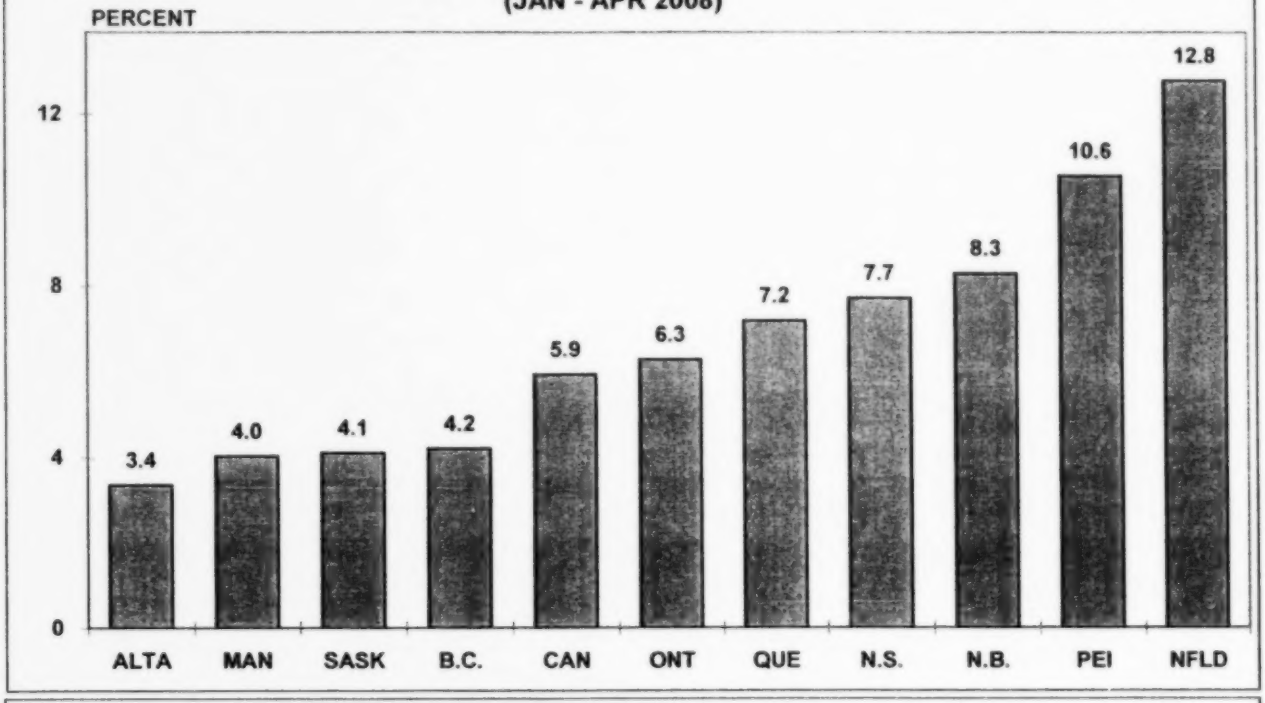
(JAN - APR 2008)



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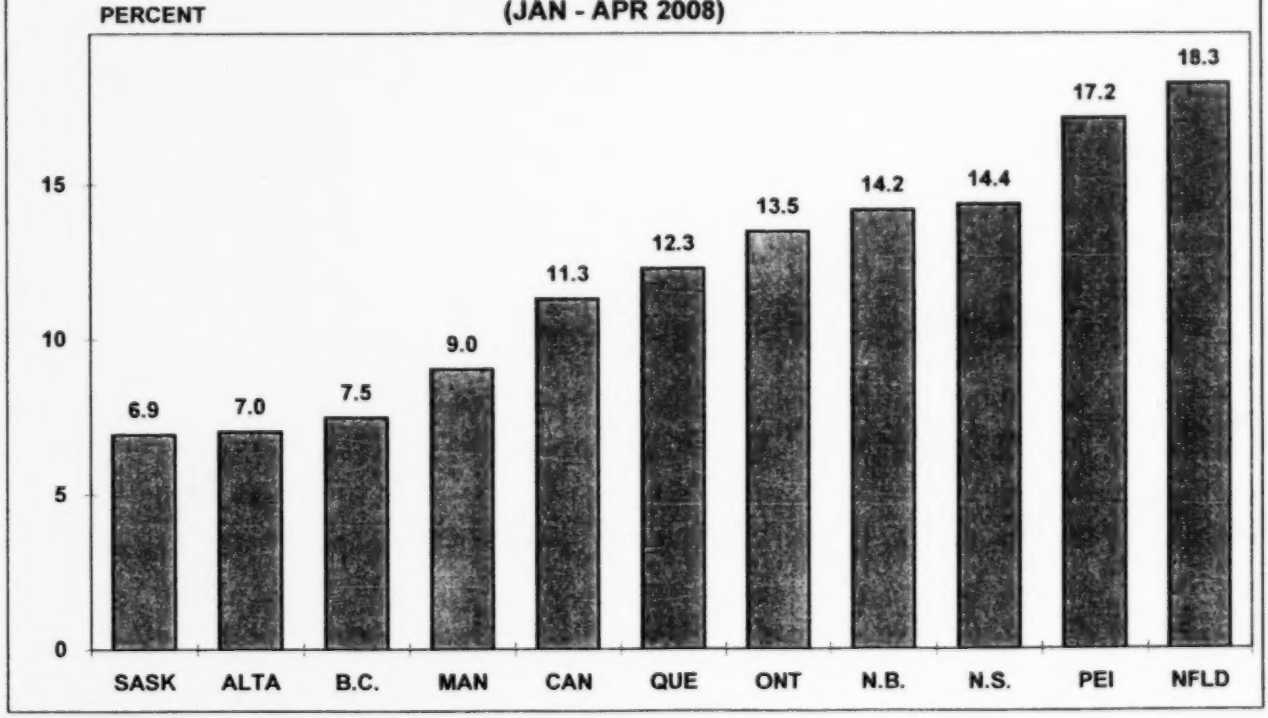

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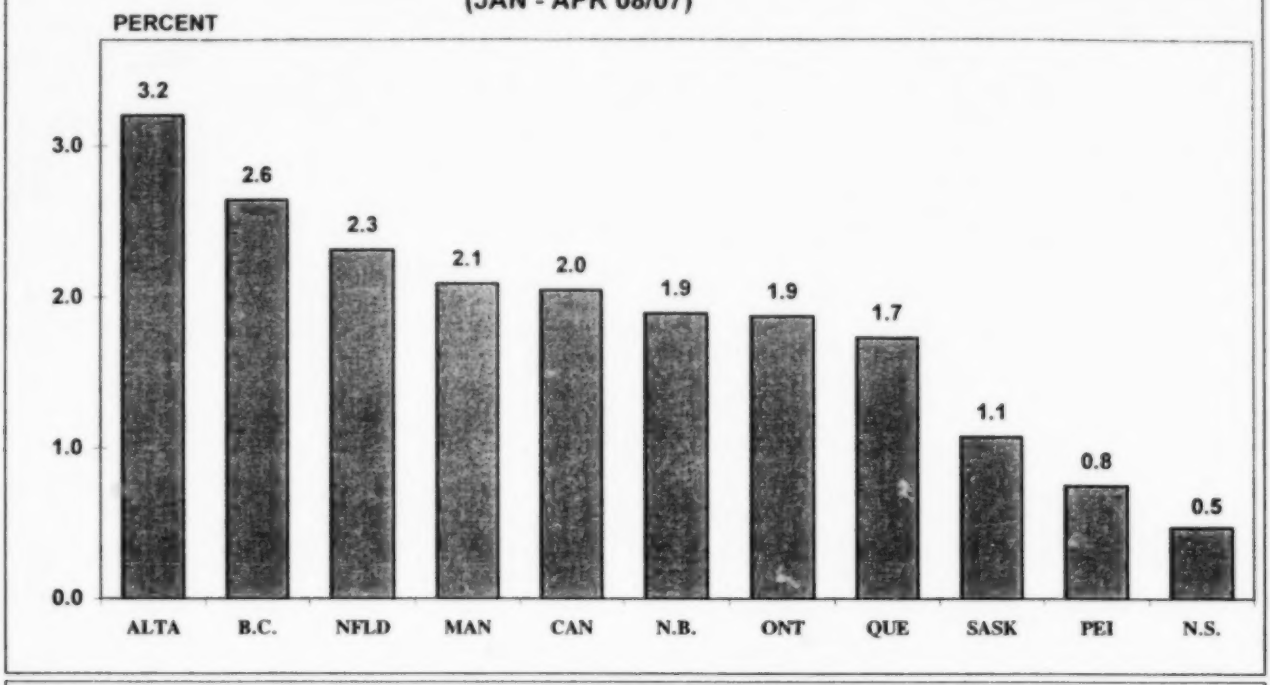

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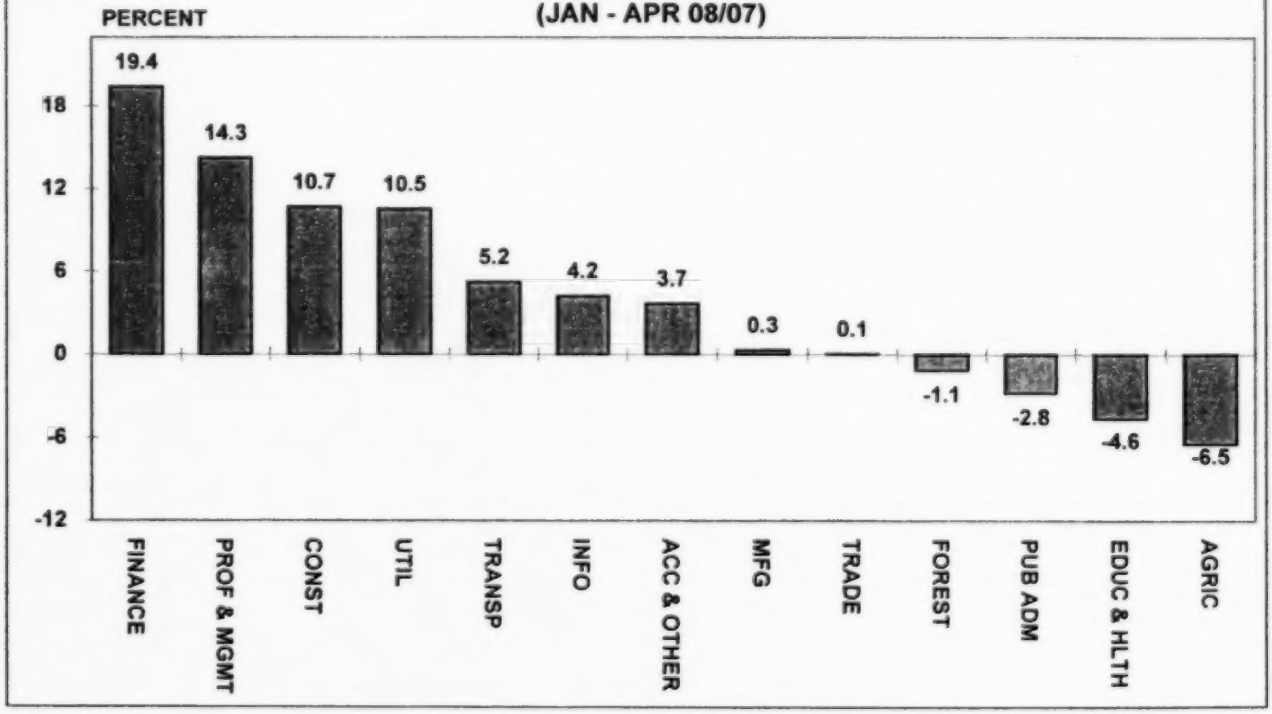

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TABLE 1: PRINCIPAL LABOUR FORCE INDICATORS, MANITOBA AND CANADA

	MANITOBA			CANADA		
	APR 08	MAR 08	APR 07	APR 08	MAR 08	APR 07
LABOUR FORCE						
seas. adj.	636,000	630,100	622,900	18,239,800	18,216,000	17,889,700
actual	633,700	622,600	618,900	18,050,900	18,000,400	17,699,400
EMPLOYMENT						
seas. adj.	611,700	602,700	593,200	17,136,000	17,116,800	16,788,200
part time	120,400	108,700	119,600	3,106,600	3,108,000	3,070,000
men	34,600	31,800	37,100	977,700	997,300	979,400
women	85,900	76,900	82,500	2,128,900	2,110,700	2,090,600
full time	491,300	494,000	473,500	14,029,400	14,008,800	13,718,200
men	289,500	291,800	280,300	8,060,700	8,045,800	7,855,900
women	201,800	202,200	193,300	5,968,700	5,963,100	5,862,300
actual	606,600	594,200	587,000	16,915,500	16,845,200	16,575,700
UNEMPLOYMENT						
seas. adj.	24,300	27,400	29,800	1,103,800	1,099,200	1,101,500
actual	27,100	28,500	31,900	1,135,400	1,155,200	1,123,700
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE						
seas. adj.	3.8	4.3	4.8	6.1	6.0	6.2
actual	4.3	4.6	5.2	6.3	6.4	6.3
PARTICIPATION RATE						
seas. adj.	70.1	69.6	69.5	68.0	68.0	67.6
actual	69.8	68.7	69.0	67.3	67.2	66.9

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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TABLE 1 (CONTINUED): PRINCIPAL LABOUR FORCE INDICATORS, MANITOBA AND CANADA

	MANITOBA					CANADA				
	PERCENT CHANGE		YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES			PERCENT CHANGE		YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES		
	APR 08/ MAR 08	APR 08/ APR 07	JAN-APR 08	JAN-APR 07	CHANGE 08/07	APR 08/ MAR 08	APR 08/ APR 07	JAN-APR 08	JAN-APR 07	CHANGE 08/07
LABOUR FORCE										
seas. adj.	0.9%	2.1%	630,000	620,200	1.6%	0.1%	2.0%	18,181,100	17,857,000	1.8%
actual	1.8%	2.4%	623,700	613,600	1.7%	0.3%	2.0%	17,948,500	17,621,100	1.9%
EMPLOYMENT										
seas. adj.	1.5%	3.1%	604,500	592,200	2.1%	0.1%	2.1%	17,103,500	16,760,900	2.0%
part time	10.8%	0.7%	113,500	116,900	-2.9%	0.0%	1.2%	3,092,100	3,059,400	1.1%
men	8.8%	-6.7%	34,400	36,000	-4.5%	-2.0%	-0.2%	982,700	981,100	0.2%
women	11.7%	4.1%	79,200	80,900	-2.2%	0.9%	1.8%	2,109,400	2,078,300	1.5%
full time	-0.5%	3.8%	491,000	475,200	3.3%	0.1%	2.3%	14,011,400	13,701,500	2.3%
men	-0.8%	3.3%	289,300	280,200	3.3%	0.2%	2.6%	8,048,100	7,851,400	2.5%
women	-0.2%	4.4%	201,700	195,100	3.4%	0.1%	1.8%	5,963,400	5,850,200	1.9%
actual	2.1%	3.3%	596,500	583,800	2.2%	0.4%	2.0%	16,820,500	16,473,200	2.1%
UNEMPLOYMENT										
seas. adj.	-11.3%	-18.5%	25,500	28,000	-8.8%	0.4%	0.2%	1,077,600	1,096,100	-1.7%
actual	-4.9%	-15.0%	27,300	29,800	-8.5%	-1.7%	1.0%	1,128,000	1,148,000	-1.7%
seas. adj.	-0.5pts	-1.0pts	4.0	4.5	-0.5 pts	0.1pts	-0.1pts	5.9	6.2	-0.2pts
actual	-0.3pts	-0.9pts	4.4	4.9	-0.5 pts	-0.1pts	0.0pts	6.3	6.5	-0.2pts
PARTICIPATION RATE										
seas. adj.	0.5pts	0.6pts	69.6	69.3	0.3 pts	0.0pts	0.4pts	67.9	67.6	0.3pts
actual	1.1pts	0.8pts	68.9	68.5	0.3 pts	0.1pts	0.4pts	67.0	66.7	0.4pts

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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NOTE: Year-to-date averages are rounded to the nearest hundred, whereas year-to-date percent change calculations are based on the unrounded averages.

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TABLE 2: UNEMPLOYMENT RATES, CANADA AND PROVINCES

	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED			SEASONALLY ADJUSTED YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES	
	APR 08	MAR 08	APR 07	JAN-APR 08	JAN-APR 07
MANITOBA	3.8	4.3	4.8	4.0	4.5
CANADA	6.1	6.0	6.2	5.9	6.2
NFLD.	13.2	12.6	13.2	12.8	14.2
P.E.I.	11.2	10.4	9.7	10.6	10.2
N.S.	7.8	7.9	8.2	7.7	7.9
N.B.	8.3	8.5	7.5	8.3	7.5
QUEBEC	7.6	7.3	7.2	7.2	7.5
ONTARIO	6.3	6.4	6.6	6.3	6.5
SASK.	4.3	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.0
ALBERTA	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.5
B.C.	4.3	4.3	4.5	4.2	4.2
*** MANITOBA RANK**	**2**	**3**	**4**	**2**	**4**

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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*** Ranking is in ascending order from the lowest unemployment rate to the highest**

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TABLE 3: UNEMPLOYMENT RATES BY AGE AND SEX: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

	MANITOBA					CANADA				
			YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES					YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES		
	APR 08	MAR 08	APR 07	JAN-APR 08	JAN-APR 07	APR 08	MAR 08	APR 07	JAN-APR 08	JAN-APR 07
BOTH SEXES	3.8	4.3	4.8	4.0	4.5	6.1	6.0	6.2	5.9	6.2
15-24	9.3	9.1	9.9	9.0	9.0	11.8	11.0	11.5	11.3	11.3
25+	2.6	3.3	3.6	3.0	3.5	4.9	5.1	5.1	4.9	5.1
MEN	3.9	4.6	5.0	4.1	4.8	6.5	6.4	6.6	6.3	6.5
15-24	11.8	9.5	10.3	10.3	10.2	13.4	12.4	12.7	12.5	12.6
25+	2.2	3.5	3.8	2.8	3.6	5.2	5.2	5.5	5.1	5.4
WOMEN	3.7	4.1	4.5	4.0	4.2	5.6	5.7	5.6	5.6	5.7
15-24	6.7	8.7	9.4	7.8	7.6	10.1	9.5	10.2	10.1	9.9
25+	3.0	3.0	3.4	3.1	3.4	4.7	4.9	4.7	4.7	4.9

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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TABLE 4: YOUTH UNEMPLOYMENT RATES, CANADA AND PROVINCES
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED - 15 TO 24 YEARS OF AGE

				YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES	
	APR 08	MAR 08	APR 07	JAN-APR 08	JAN-APR 07
MANITOBA	9.3	9.1	9.9	9.0	9.0
CANADA	11.8	11.0	11.5	11.3	11.3
NFLD.	19.3	17.6	21.2	18.3	20.7
P.E.I.	17.4	16.2	12.7	17.2	12.0
N.S.	14.0	13.7	13.7	14.4	13.4
N.B.	15.2	14.4	10.8	14.2	11.8
QUEBEC	14.1	11.7	12.7	12.3	12.8
ONTARIO	13.7	13.3	13.3	13.5	13.1
SASK.	8.3	7.0	7.6	6.9	7.6
ALBERTA	6.3	7.0	8.3	7.0	7.6
B.C.	7.7	6.8	7.6	7.5	7.8
*** MANITOBA RANK**	**4**	**4**	**4**	**4**	**4**

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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TABLE 5: SELECTED CITY UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

	ACTUAL MONTHLY		YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES MONTHLY		THREE MONTH MOVING AVERAGES ACTUAL		SEASONALLY ADJUSTED	
	APR 08	APR 07	JAN-APR 08	JAN-APR 07	APR 08	APR 07	APR 08	APR 07
WINNIPEG	4.4	5.5	4.3	5.1	4.4	5.0	4.1	4.7
VANCOUVER	4.3	4.5	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.7	3.9	3.7
EDMONTON	3.8	3.3	3.8	3.5	3.8	3.3	4.0	3.4
CALGARY	2.7	2.8	3.0	3.3	2.9	3.3	3.1	3.5
REGINA	4.2	4.1	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.3	4.3
SASKATOON	3.8	4.9	3.6	4.2	3.7	4.1	3.4	3.9
TORONTO	6.0	6.6	6.3	6.7	6.3	6.8	6.4	6.9
OTTAWA	5.2	5.2	4.7	5.4	4.7	5.2	4.9	5.4
MONTREAL	7.9	6.1	7.8	7.4	7.8	7.1	7.5	7.0
HALIFAX	5.1	5.8	5.1	5.2	5.1	5.2	4.9	5.0
ST. JOHN'S	9.8	8.0	9.0	7.9	9.3	7.3	8.6	7.1
*** WINNIPEG RANK (OUT OF 11 CITIES)**	**6**	**7**	**5**	**6**	**6**	**6**	**5**	**6**

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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TABLE 6: TOTAL EMPLOYMENT, CANADA AND PROVINCES

	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED			SEASONALLY ADJUSTED YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES		
	APR 08	MAR 08	APR 07	JAN-APR 08	JAN-APR 07	CHANGE
MANITOBA	611,700	602,700	593,200	604,500	592,200	2.1%
CANADA	17,136,000	17,116,800	16,788,200	17,103,500	16,760,900	2.0%
NFLD.	223,700	221,300	218,600	222,600	217,600	2.3%
P.E.I.	70,400	71,000	70,000	70,500	70,000	0.8%
N.S.	452,400	449,500	449,500	450,600	448,500	0.5%
N.B.	367,300	366,300	362,700	366,600	359,800	1.9%
QUEBEC	3,867,500	3,887,300	3,840,400	3,885,300	3,819,200	1.7%
ONTARIO	6,700,400	6,688,200	6,554,800	6,680,600	6,557,900	1.9%
SASK.	510,100	508,200	501,900	508,300	502,900	1.1%
ALBERTA	2,008,100	2,004,500	1,950,200	2,001,900	1,939,800	3.2%
B.C.	2,324,300	2,317,900	2,247,100	2,312,700	2,253,200	2.6%

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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TABLE 6A. FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT, CANADA AND PROVINCES

	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED			SEASONALLY ADJUSTED YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES		
	APR 08	MAR 08	APR 07	JAN-APR 08	JAN-APR 07	CHANGE
MANITOBA	491,300	494,000	473,500	491,000	475,200	3.3%
CANADA	14,029,400	14,008,800	13,718,200	14,011,400	13,701,500	2.3%
NFLD.	189,100	187,400	187,900	188,700	186,000	1.5%
P.E.I.	59,400	58,800	58,200	59,100	57,500	2.7%
N.S.	369,100	365,300	366,700	366,200	367,000	-0.2%
N.B.	309,300	310,300	305,700	311,700	303,000	2.9%
QUEBEC	3,154,200	3,164,000	3,130,800	3,169,500	3,114,000	1.8%
ONTARIO	5,481,400	5,470,600	5,361,200	5,475,800	5,365,200	2.1%
SASK.	420,100	418,400	402,400	417,600	405,600	3.0%
ALBERTA	1,695,600	1,695,700	1,637,300	1,688,500	1,634,500	3.3%
B.C.	1,859,600	1,843,700	1,794,600	1,842,900	1,793,800	2.7%

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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TABLE 6B. PART-TIME EMPLOYMENT, CANADA AND PROVINCES

	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED			SEASONALLY ADJUSTED YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES		
	APR 08	MAR 08	APR 07	JAN-APR 08	JAN-APR 07	CHANGE
MANITOBA	120,400	108,700	119,600	113,500	116,900	-2.9%
CANADA	3,106,600	3,108,000	3,070,000	3,092,100	3,059,400	1.1%
NFLD.	34,600	34,000	30,700	33,900	31,600	7.3%
P.E.I.	11,000	12,100	11,800	11,400	12,500	-8.4%
N.S.	83,300	84,100	82,800	84,500	81,600	3.6%
N.B.	57,900	56,100	57,000	55,000	56,900	-3.3%
QUEBEC	713,300	723,300	709,500	715,800	705,200	1.5%
ONTARIO	1,219,000	1,217,600	1,193,600	1,204,900	1,192,700	1.0%
SASK.	90,000	89,800	99,400	90,700	97,300	-6.8%
ALBERTA	312,500	308,800	312,900	313,400	305,400	2.6%
B.C.	464,700	474,200	452,500	469,800	459,400	2.3%

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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TABLE 6C. PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT, CANADA AND PROVINCES

	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED			SEASONALLY ADJUSTED YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES		
	APR 08	MAR 08	APR 07	JAN-APR 08	JAN-APR 07	CHANGE
MANITOBA	458,000	451,000	440,800	453,100	440,200	2.9%
CANADA	13,715,200	13,705,100	13,557,800	13,694,000	13,548,000	1.1%
NFLD.	159,500	158,400	160,300	159,900	158,500	0.9%
P.E.I.	50,900	52,000	52,400	51,800	52,200	-0.7%
N.S.	340,900	343,000	339,200	342,200	341,400	0.2%
N.B.	275,500	278,800	277,800	278,600	276,300	0.8%
QUEBEC	3,072,900	3,080,700	3,058,600	3,077,200	3,043,900	1.1%
ONTARIO	5,409,700	5,399,800	5,390,600	5,401,000	5,397,300	0.1%
SASK.	384,900	382,400	379,200	383,400	379,800	1.0%
ALBERTA	1,660,700	1,655,000	1,613,800	1,651,600	1,608,700	2.7%
B.C.	1,901,600	1,903,500	1,844,700	1,894,900	1,849,500	2.5%

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA **MANITOBA BUREAU OF STATISTICS**

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TABLE 6D. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT, CANADA AND PROVINCES

	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED			SEASONALLY ADJUSTED YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES		
	APR 08	MAR 08	APR 07	JAN-APR 08	JAN-APR 07	CHANGE
MANITOBA	153,700	151,700	152,400	151,400	152,000	-0.4%
CANADA	3,420,800	3,411,700	3,230,400	3,409,500	3,212,900	6.1%
NFLD.	64,200	62,900	58,300	62,700	59,100	6.0%
P.E.I.	19,500	19,000	17,600	18,700	17,800	4.9%
N.S.	111,500	106,500	110,300	108,400	107,200	1.2%
N.B.	91,800	87,500	84,900	88,100	83,500	5.4%
QUEBEC	794,600	806,600	781,800	808,100	775,300	4.2%
ONTARIO	1,290,700	1,288,400	1,164,200	1,279,600	1,160,600	10.3%
SASK.	125,200	125,800	122,700	124,800	123,100	1.4%
ALBERTA	347,400	349,500	336,400	350,300	331,100	5.8%
B.C.	422,700	414,400	402,400	417,700	403,700	3.5%

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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TABLE 6E. MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT, CANADA AND PROVINCES

	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED			SEASONALLY ADJUSTED YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGES		
	APR 08	MAR 08	APR 07	JAN-APR 08	JAN-APR 07	CHANGE
MANITOBA	70,800	70,600	69,400	71,700	71,400	0.3%
CANADA	1,952,000	1,966,900	2,063,500	1,973,800	2,084,800	-5.3%
NFLD.	15,600	14,900	17,700	15,400	15,500	-0.5%
P.E.I.	6,300	6,700	6,800	6,400	6,800	-5.2%
N.S.	39,000	38,700	42,300	39,600	41,700	-5.0%
N.B.	34,400	33,300	40,500	34,800	39,600	-12.2%
QUEBEC	532,900	529,000	545,400	531,600	554,700	-4.2%
ONTARIO	900,200	915,100	950,000	915,600	964,700	-5.1%
SASK.	32,200	30,700	30,500	31,500	29,800	5.8%
ALBERTA	134,300	134,000	145,200	137,200	149,000	-7.9%
B.C.	182,300	190,800	211,200	188,100	209,200	-10.1%

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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TABLE 7: MANITOBA EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

				YEAR-TO-DATE-AVERAGES			
	APR 08	MAR 08	APR 07	JAN-APR 08	JAN-APR 07	PERCENT CHANGE	CANADA PERCENT CHANGE
AGRICULTURE	28,700	27,700	29,800	27,600	29,500	-6.5%	1.0%
FORESTRY, FISHING & MINING	6,400	6,400	6,400	6,500	6,600	-1.1%	-2.3%
UTILITIES	6,400	6,100	5,000	5,800	5,200	10.5%	16.7%
CONSTRUCTION	35,600	36,000	32,300	35,200	31,800	10.7%	8.9%
MANUFACTURING	70,800	70,600	69,400	71,700	71,400	0.3%	-5.3%
TRADE	93,800	90,300	90,300	90,200	90,100	0.1%	1.2%
TRANSPORTATION SERVICES	35,400	37,900	33,900	36,200	34,400	5.2%	4.5%
FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE & LEASING	38,900	37,700	33,100	38,300	32,100	19.4%	1.9%
PROFESSIONAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	45,600	45,800	41,500	46,300	40,500	14.3%	5.3%
EDUCATION & HEALTH SERVICES	125,700	124,300	127,600	122,800	128,700	-4.6%	2.0%
INFORMATION, CULTURE & RECREATION	24,100	22,300	22,900	24,000	23,000	4.2%	-0.4%
ACCOMMODATION & OTHER SERVICES	65,000	63,100	62,900	64,100	61,800	3.7%	0.9%
PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION	35,300	34,600	38,000	36,000	37,000	-2.8%	9.7%
TOTAL: ALL INDUSTRIES	611,700	602,700	593,200	604,500	592,200	2.1%	2.0%
TOTAL: GOODS PRODUCING	148,000	146,700	142,900	146,700	144,500	1.6%	0.1%
TOTAL: SERVICE PRODUCING	463,800	456,000	450,300	457,800	447,800	2.3%	2.7%

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